

XXIII. *Description of a New Species of Lithocolletis.* By
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Lithocolletis nigrescentella. (Pl. XV. fig. 9.)

Capite fusco, fronte palpisque albis. Alis anticis aureo-nigris, linea distincta media basi, fasciaque valde ante medium curvata, et leviter in exteriore producta; post hanc tribus punctis acutis ad costam, uno latiore ante angulum anale, et duobus obscurioribus adversus apicem, argenteis; ciliis cinereo-albidis. Alis posticis griseis, ciliis cinereis interne pallidioribus. Tarsis albidis, fusco-maculatis.

Exp. alar. 5 lin.

Somewhat allied to *Ulmifoliella*, but blacker, and the anterior wings longer and narrower towards the apex, much more the shape of the *Pomifoliella* group. The first dorsal spot is also much larger and more of an equilateral triangle, and the first costal spot points towards the centre of the fascia, which is much further from the middle of the wing than in *Ulmifoliella*, considerably bent, and slightly produced on its outer edge, so as nearly to form with the first costal spot a γ shaped figure.* The basal streak is nearly equidistant from the costa and inner margin, (in *Ulmifoliella* it is nearer the costa,) somewhat claviform, and margined distinctly with black, and there is a smaller streak of white on the inner margin near the base.

The hind wings are peculiar, the cilia being pale next the wing and darker externally. The antennæ are fuscous, with pale apices. Tarsi white, spotted with dark fuscous.

Taken near Morpeth in May.

* On the right wing of the specimen the connection is complete, but not on the left.